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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : JEAN-JACQUES LACROIX  
Appl. No. : 10/713,276  
Filed : November 17, 2003  
Title : QUICK COUPLER FOR REMOVABLY JOINING TWO PIPES

Grp./A.U. : 3679  
Examiner : Dunwoody, Aaron M.

Docket No. : 14515

Honorable Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

**PTO CUSTOMER NO. 000293**

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed August 24, 2004, the following is submitted:

Amendments to the drawings are explained at page 2 of this response;

Amendments to the specification begin at page 3 of this response;

Amendments and a complete listing of the claims begin at page 4 of this response;

Remarks/Arguments/Election begin at page 8 of this response.